

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the second full paragraph on page 27 with the following:**

In the hollow portion of the drum 123, for example, a suction pipe 151 which is commonly used with the rotation axis is communicated, and to the suction tube 151, a blower (or vacuum pump) which is a suction apparatus 152 for the recording medium fixing, ~~not shown~~, to conduct the vacuum suction is connected. On the one hand, on the outer peripheral surface of the drum 123, a plurality of suction ports 153 to suck the air are formed. Accordingly, when the recording medium is attached onto the outer peripheral surface of the drum 123, and the blower is driven, the recording medium is sucked on the outer peripheral surface of the drum 123, and the image receiving sheet 131 and the transfer sheet 129 which are recording media, are fixed on the drum 123. In the same manner, before these recording media are fixed, when the plate 137 is supplied, the plate 137 can be fixed onto the drum 123. That is, on the drum 123, as shown in Fig.9(c), the plate 137, image receiving sheet 131, and transfer sheet 129 are integrally fixed under the condition that these are successively superimposed.